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Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative
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Public Meeting in Rock Springs to Discuss Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative

The Executive Committee of the Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative (WLCI) will meet Wednesday, July 9 at the Bureau of Land Management office in Rock Springs.

The meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. and is scheduled to adjourn by 5 p.m. During the meeting, the Executive Committee will update the WLCI charter MOU to include the group's new members, the Southwest Wyoming Conservation Districts and Southwest Wyoming County Commissioners, and discuss the MOU with the Wyoming Heritage Trust. They will also hear updates on various WLCI projects and committees.

The WLCI Executive Committee is comprised of representatives from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Forest Service, Wyoming Game & Fish Department, Wyoming Department of Agriculture, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, county commissioners and conservation districts. Wyoming Department of Agriculture Director, John Etchepare, is currently serving as chairman of the committee. Sublette County Commissioner John Linn and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Wyoming Field Supervisor Brian Kelly are serving respectively as first vice chair and second vice chair.

The WLCI is a long-term science-based effort to assess and enhance aquatic and terrestrial habitats at a landscape scale in Southwest Wyoming, while facilitating responsible development of the region's valuable energy resources.

The meeting is open to the public, and visitors will have the opportunity to comment. The BLM office is located at 280 Highway 191 North in Rock Springs. More information on the WLCI, as well as a draft agenda for the meeting, can be found at: <http://www.wlci.gov/>.

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